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Stephanie A. Altig
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Dear Deputy Attorney General Altig:

Thank you for your letter regarding permits to carry handguns. You asked whether Minnesota will allow reciprocity for Idaho issued permits. Minnesota State law allows for reciprocity if another state has a substantially similar permit to carry law.

Minnesota law allows for denial of a permit for a number of reasons and particularly as it relates to chemical dependency. *See* Minn. Stat. 624.713 subd. 1 (2012) and Minn. Stat. 624.714 subd. 2 (2012). Specifically, Minnesota requires completion of treatment for an individual that was committed to a treatment facility for chemical dependency. As I understand, Idaho does not have similar requirements. As I read Idaho law, same/similar prohibitions do not exist in that state and thus the law is not substantially similar.

Thank you for your letter and if I can be of further assistance, please call me at (651) 201-7170.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. Joseph Newton".

E. Joseph Newton
General Counsel